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**NOTES/COMMENTS:****In the Application of: Matthew T. Heisey, et al.****Serial No. 09/759,965****Confirmation No. 1681****Filed: January 12, 2001****Group Art Unit: 1623****P&G Case: 8398****P&G Attorney: Bryn M. Taylor**

P&amp;G Case 8398

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of :  
MATTHEW T. HEISEY, *et al.* : Confirmation No. 1681  
Serial No. 09/759,965 : Group Art Unit 1623  
Filed January 12, 2001 : Examiner L. ERIC CRANE  
For LOW CARBOHYDRATE COMPOSITIONS, KITS THEREOF, AND METHODS  
OF USE

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

Dear Sir:

As per your request, the following is a list of proposed amendments.

IN THE CLAIMS

## 1. (Amended) A composition comprising:

- a) a chondroprotective agent selected from the group consisting of cartilage, aminosugars, glycosaminoglycans, methylsulfonylmethane, ~~precursors of methylsulfonylmethane~~, S-adenosylmethionine, and mixtures thereof;
- b) a sweetening agent selected from the group consisting of sorbitol, mannitol, xylitol, erythritol, malitol, maltose, lactose, fructooligosaccharides, lo han guo, stevioside, acesulfame, aspartame, sucralose, saccharin, xylose, arabinose, levulose, isomalt, ribose and mixtures thereof; and
- c) at least about 10% water, by weight of the composition.

## 13. (Amended) A composition comprising:

- a) a chondroprotective agent selected from the group consisting of cartilage, aminosugars, glycosaminoglycans, methylsulfonylmethane, ~~precursors of methylsulfonylmethane~~, S-adenosylmethionine, salts thereof, and mixtures thereof; and
- b) a sweetening agent selected from the group consisting of sorbitol, mannitol, xylitol, erythritol, malitol, maltose, lactose, fructooligosaccharides, lo han guo, stevioside, acesulfame, sucralose, saccharin, xylose, arabinose, levulose, isomalt, ribose and mixtures thereof;

wherein the composition is substantially free of aspartame.